Statement of Deficiencies

1711.A.&B.&D.&G.: Child to Staff Ratio

Not Met

1711.A.&B.&D.&G.: A. Child to staff ratios are established to ensure the safety of all children.

- B. Minimum child to staff ratios shall be met at all times.
- 1. There shall be a minimum of two staff members present at an early learning center when more than one child is present.
- 2. Only those staff members directly providing care, supervision or guidance to children shall be counted in the child to staff ratios.
- D. Minimum Child to Staff Ratios for Type II and Type III centers:

Ages of Children			Ratio
Infants under 1 yea	r		5:1
1 year		7:1	
2 years			11:1
3 years	13:1		
4 years		15:1	
5 years		19:1	
6 years and up		23:1	

- G. Mixed Age Groups Minimum Child to Staff Ratios
- 1. An average of the child to staff ratios may be applied to mixed age groups of children ages 2, 3, 4 and 5
- 2. Child to staff ratios for children under age two are excluded from averaging.
- 3. When a mixed age group includes children younger than age two, the age of the youngest child determines the child to staff ratio for the group.
- 4. An average may be applied to a mixed age group consisting only of children ages 5 and older.

Finding:

1711 A.B.D. Child to staff ratios were not met for children of the following ages: 19 children age 1 year old with 2 staff. The required ratio for children of this age is 7 children per 1 staff person, therefore, there should have been 3 staff in this classroom. 20 children age 2 years old with 1 staff. The required ratio for children of this age is 11 to 1 staff, therefore, there should have been 2 staff in this classroom. The Specialist observed S7 arrive at 12:58 pm. The arrival of S7 met the child/staff ratio for the 1 year old classroom. The Specialist observed S8 arrive at 12:59 pm. The arrival of S8 met the child/staff ratio for the 2 year old classroom. The center did not meet child/staff ratio from 12:45 pm to 12:59 pm.

1907.E.2.: Cribs Free of Toys and Other Soft or Loose Bedding

Not Met

1907.E.2.: Cribs shall be free of toys and other soft or loose bedding, including comforters, blankets, sheets, bumper pads, pillows, stuffed animals and wedges when the child is in the crib.

Finding:

1907.E.2. Based on observations:

The center's cribs were not free of toys or other soft or loose bedding (including comforters, blankets, sheets, bumper pads, pillows, stuffed animals and wedges) while the child was in the crib as evidence by: during the initial walk through of the center at 12:45 pm, the Specialist observed one infant in a crib with a loose blanket and pillow. This was immediately corrected.